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**Obey IN ST. CROIX FALLS FOR UPDATE
ON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT**

ST. CROIX FALLS, WI - Seventh District Congressman Dave Obey (D-WI) was in St. Croix Falls today for a briefing on proposed improvements to the community's wastewater treatment plant. Obey secured \$440,000 in federal funds last year to allow the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to work with the City of St. Croix Falls to plan the project.

"We've been working to help renovate St. Croix Falls' wastewater treatment plant to meet the City's growing needs and protect the St. Croix River while easing the burden on local property tax payers who would have to foot the whole bill otherwise," said Obey. "'I'm glad to be here today to see first hand how the Corps of Engineers and the City plan to move forward."

St. Croix Falls' existing wastewater plant - which feeds into the St. Croix River - must be improved to meet Wisconsin DNR's environmental standards. In the 2005 Omnibus appropriations bill Obey secured authorization for the Army Corps of Engineers to help St. Croix Falls with the project.

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